GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
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FUNDS TO NGOS FOR EDUCATION
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the rules and regulations formulated to allocate funds to NGOs for the upliftment of education in rural areas;

(b) whether any complaints have been received against the officials regarding misappropriation and delay in the sanctioning the funds to NGOs; and

(c) if so, the action taken/proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI)

(a): The Ministry of Human Resource Development provides financial assistance to the eligible Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs) for upliftment of education throughout the country, including rural areas, under various Centrally Sponsored Schemes. The rules and regulations in this regard are spelt out in each scheme. Generally, to be eligible for assistance, an organisation is required to be registered and normally be in existence for three years. Organisation should be non-profit making and non-communal and should have proper constitution/Memorandum and Articles of Association. Financial assistance is sanctioned to an NGO on the recommendation of a Grants-in-Aid Committee (GIAC) as set up under the provision of the scheme.

(b) & (c): A complaint was received against two officers of the Ministry, for allegedly favouring an NGO in sanctioning funds. The complaint was investigated and found unsubstantiated. The case record has been referred to Central Vigilance Commission with the recommendation to close the case.